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BOOK REVIEWS

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE PROBLEM OF GOVERNMENT, by Westel W. Willoughby and Lindsay Rogers. (Garden City, N. Y.: Doubleday, Page & Co., 1921.)

Students of government have recognized for some time that there has been a distinct need for such a work as the one under review. Any number of excellent text books on the descriptive organization of modern governments are available. For example, Bryce's *Modern Democracies* affords the reader an outline of the organization and administration of modern democratic governments. The purpose of this volume, however, is, as the authors have pointed out in the preface, to introduce the reader to the problems of constitutional and popular government.

Some knowledge of the organization of modern governments by the reader is presupposed by the authors, yet they have not excluded descriptive matter altogether. The abstract principles discussed are adequately illustrated, without giving a full description of the constitutional system of the particular state whose problems are under consideration. Professors Willoughby and Rogers deal "analytically and critically rather than descriptively with governmental structures". From the tangled skein of problems common to all constitutional systems the authors have attempted to unravel the reasons for the apparent success or failure of the several systems. Numerous practical problems confronting modern governments are noted without attempting, in many instances, to offer a solution.

If the thoughtful reader would appreciate the principles of government, he must understand the place of politics in the social sciences. The authors have, therefore, outlined the relation existing between the several social sciences and politics. Such topics as the nature and sphere of government and the relationship existing between the individual and the state receive due consideration. It is interesting to note in this connection that this part of the volume is based largely upon Prof. Willoughby's earlier work, *The Nature of the State*. In the present volume, however, a more paternalistic government is advocated.

Suggested topics for further investigation are appended to each chapter and the foot-notes contain copious references to well-known authorities.

Although primarily intended for the student of government, the thoughtful lawyer may well study this excellent work, and we are sure that he will find it both profitable and enjoyable reading. It is, therefore, a pleasure to recommend this study to the legal profession in order that the workings of our own governmental affairs may be more thoroughly understood and appreciated.

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CASES ON CONTRACTS, by Arthur L. Corbin. (St. Paul: West Publishing Company, 1921, pp. xxiv, 1514.)

There have been so many casebooks on Contracts put upon the market